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Recommendations adopted by the Medical Association of the District of Columbia, May 11, 1897, as amendments to the Regulations.

I. That every institution for medical charity shall require from every applicant for relief in a Hospital or Dispensary, a written certificate to be obtained as hereinafter provided. Emergency cases are to be excepted from the operation of this rule.

II. That such certificate be obtained from Physicians to the Poor, the Board of Associated Charities and any registered physician.

III. That cases of sick and injured persons found upon the streets, in the stations or elsewhere, who require immediate treatment shall be carried to the Emergency Hospital, or the nearest Hospital having an Emergency Service, or to their homes, if so directed by the patient or his friends.

IV. That Emergency Patients shall not be detained longer in such Institutions than the necessity of the case imperatively demands, but shall be discharged from the service and sent to their homes or to some public hospital as the patient may elect.

V. That members of this Association shall be entitled to the privilege of attending private patients occupying private rooms in any of the public hospitals of this city.

VI. That in future the members of the Medical Staff of Hospitals when attending medical or surgical cases in private pay-rooms shall insist upon proper payment for their services except in the case of such patients who are clearly unable to pay for same.

VII. That whenever the Medical Staff or a majority thereof of a Hospital or Dispensary resigns, and, when after due hearing, this Association finds that the resignations were for just and sufficient cause, it shall be forbidden for any member of this Association to accept a position on the Staff of said Hospital or Dispensary.

VIII. That whenever one or more members of the Medical Staff of a Hospital or Dispensary are dismissed, and when after due investigation, this Association finds that such dismissal was without just and sufficient cause, it shall be forbidden for any member of this Association to fill the vacancy created thereby.

IX. That complaints made under Rules VII and VIII shall be made in writing to the Standing Committee, which after due consideration shall report its findings to the Association.

J. R. WELLINGTON, M.D., Secretary.



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